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At Honolulu, Hawaii

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#### At Butte, Montana

No information has been received to indicate any attempts by the CP to infiltrate chapters of the NALCP in Idaho.

#### ILLINOIS

#### At Chicago, Illinois

#### Location

The 1954 Chicago telephone directory lists the NAICP as being located at 841 East 63rd Street in Chicago.

#### Officers

copy of a letter dated July 17, 1954 on the letterhead of the NAMCP, 841 East 63rd Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The following officers for the Chicago branch of the NAACP is set forth on the reverse side of the above letter:

#### Excoutive Officers

President, CORA M. PATTON

First Vice President and
Chairman of the Board, WILLOUGHBY BNER
Second Vice President, M. T. BLANTON
Third Vice President, \* JEANNE D. D. GO
Treasurer, \* N. B. ANDREWS
Secretary, \* BEATRICE H. STEELE
Assistant Secretary, \* VERN SMITH

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NY 100-7629 # RICHARD C. SAUNDERS PARCH Chicago Il Executive Committee, \* P. THERON TOWNSEND # JACK W. \* LEON HILLMAN SYLVESTER JOHNS / Dr. A. M. MERCER TOMMY BARKER # CHARLES BROOKS FOSTER Attorney CHARLES P. HOWARD RUSSELL LASLEY \* JOSEPH MC KINNEY \* THOMAS, PENN \* GRACE D. WELLS Reverend WILLIAM A Winhier Charle Il. JOHNSON Committee Chairman, Legal Re-Dress HENRY W. MC GEE Veterans Colonel T. M. M.NN Pross and Publicity Co-Chairmen A/ MILES CARTMAN ROBERT BIRCHMAN Labor and Industry Co-Chairman JAMES KEMP LUCIUS LOVE Entertainment ---ETHYEL B. ROBERTSON Housing HUGH F. LEWIS Legislation GERALD D. BULLOCK Community Coordination

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\*LOVELYN EVANS Education FAITH RICH

A. L. FOSTER \*CHARLES BROOKS

**#N. B. ANDREWS** 

Finance

Membership Co-Chairman \_

NY 100-7629 S.RA OWEN Women's Auxilia WANTEN COOK Youth Council 67C 1911 advised he learned that was a frequent visitor of the National Negro Congress

The National Negro Congress has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

in Chicago.

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The Illinois edition of "The Worker" dated February 10, 1952, page 8, columns 1 through 3, contains an article captioned, "Groups Here Mark Negro History Week". This article indicated that N. T. BLANTON was at that time Bresident of the National-Negro Museum and Historical Foundation in Chicago,

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NY 100-7629 67D The Illinois edition of "The Worker" is a special printing for distribution in Illinois of "The Worker". 62 67D MAJU advised that TOMMY BARKER; an Executive Committee member of the NiaCP. 670 in Chicago presently resides at Chicago, Illinois. 62 another governmental agency, advised 720 62,670 6.7C 1 (4) b Chicos 80, Ill. - 29 -

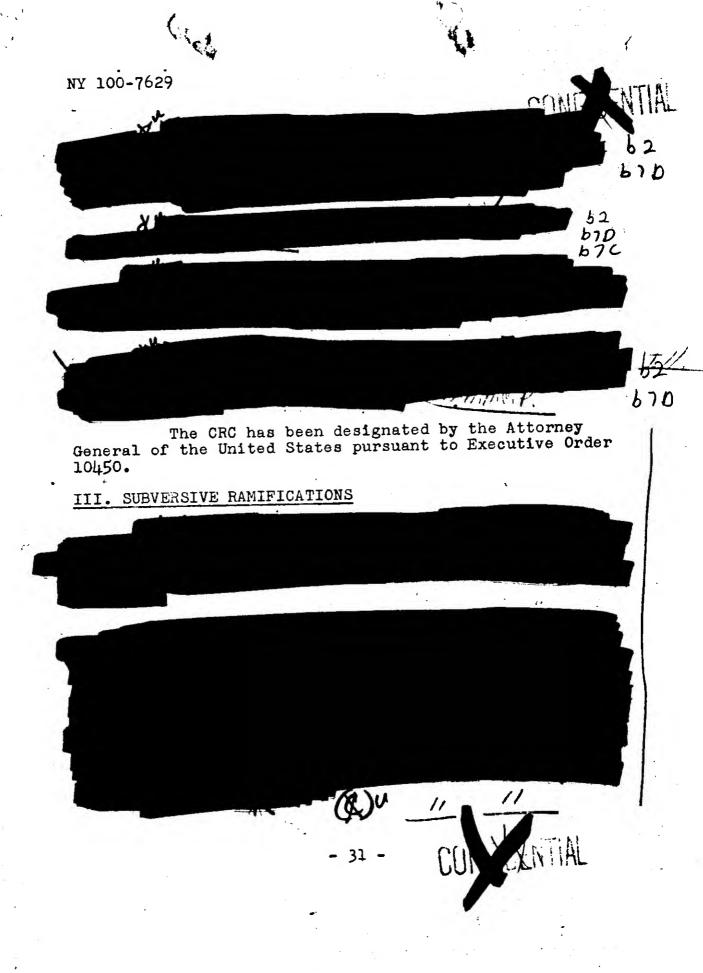
his opinion that LASLEY follows the Party line in order to safeguard his position as International Vice President in Charge of Anti-Discrimination Activities with the United Packing House Workers of America, CIO in Chicago.

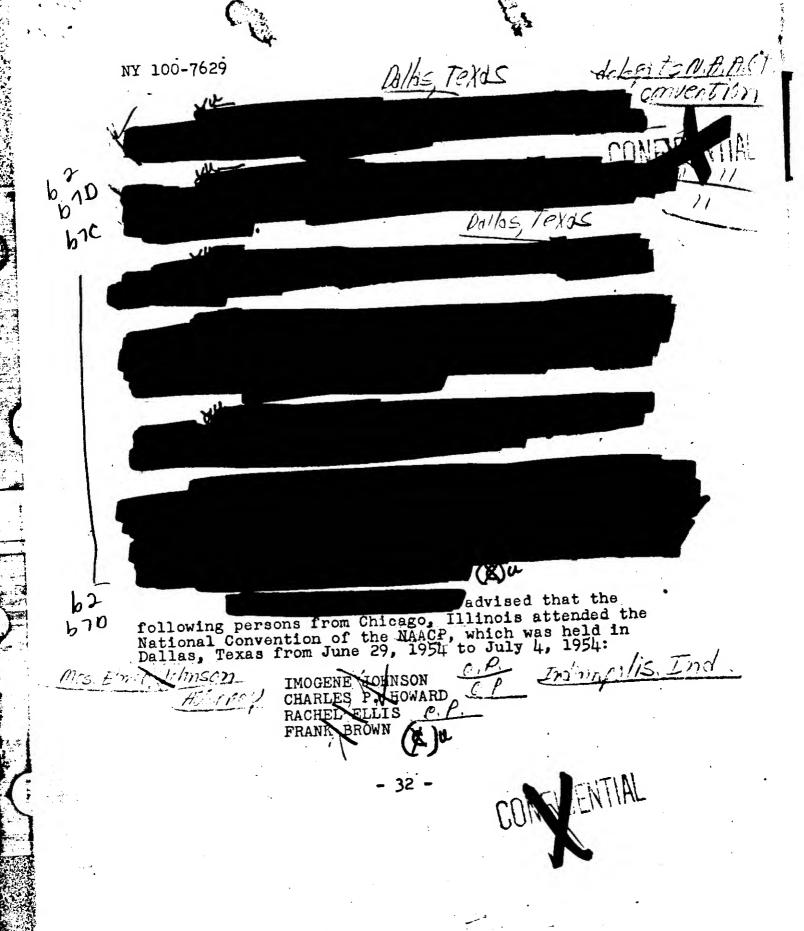
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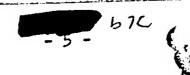


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#### IOWA

# At Omaha, Nebraska

No information has been received that would indicate any CP infiltration into the Iowa Chapters of the NAACP located in Burlington, Davenport, Des Moines, Sioux City, Ottumwa, Cedar Rapids and Waterloo.

#### KANSAS

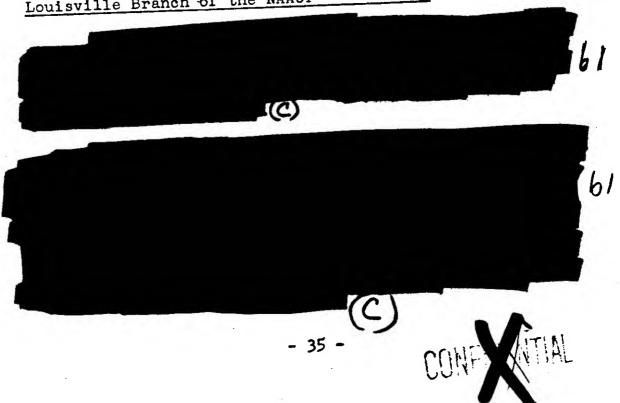
# At Kansas City, Missouri

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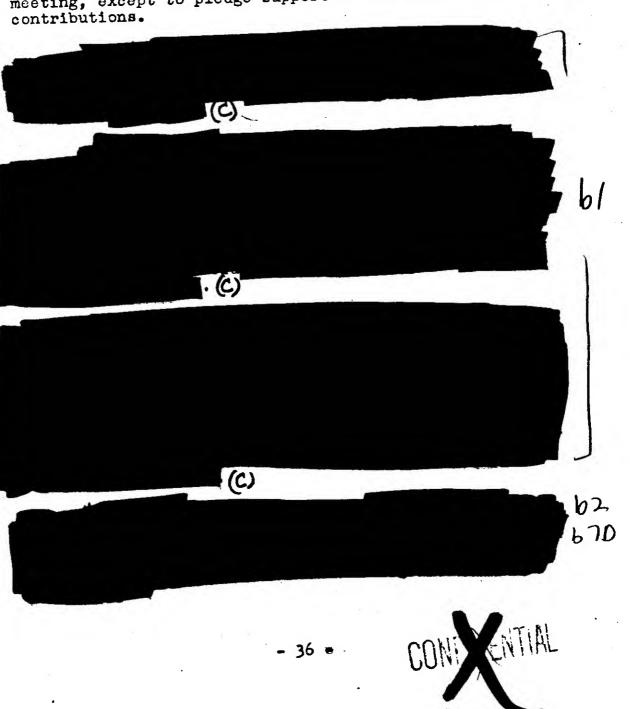
#### KENTUCKY

# At Louisville, Kentucky

CP Interest and Plans for Infiltrating the Louisville Branch of the NAACP



These people took no active part in the meeting, except to pledge support of the NAACP with contributions.



#### LOUISIANA '

At New Orleans, Louisiana

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#### Officers

The officers of the NAACP were reported by the Louisiana weekly newspaper, New Orleans, in its issue of November 7, 1953 as follows:

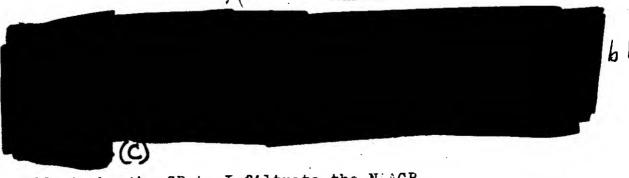
DR. E. A. JOHNSON - President

A. J. CHAPITAL - Vice-president

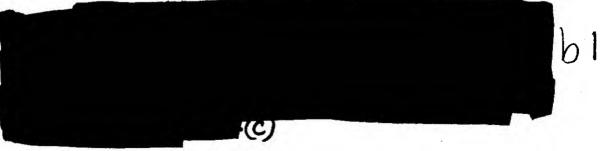
BOREL DAUPHINE - Secretary

B. J. STANLEY - Treasurer

LEONARD VERY - Executive Secretary



Efforts by the CP to Infiltrate the NAACP



#### MAINE

# At Boston, Massachusetts

No information has been received that would indicate any CP attempt to infiltrate the NAACP in Maine.

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At Minneapolis, Minnesota

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Officers

Minnesota State Conference

Minneapolis Branch officers are as follows:

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WILLIAM E. CRATIC, Jr. - President
Reverend L. C. HARRIS - Vice-president
ANNACELE JOHNSON - Secretary
NELLIE STONE JOHNSON - Treasurer

According to this informant, the Minneapolis Branch presently has a membership of about 500 members, however, it is currently in the midst of a membership drive with a hoped-for membership of 1000.

St. Paul Branch

current officers of the St. Paul Branch are as follows:

FRANK M. SMITH - President FEW - First Vice-president JOHNSON - Second Vice-president MRS. ADDIE C. JOSEPH E. KING - Treasurer MRS. LULU K.

LEONARD H. CARTER - Secretary PETERS - Assistant Secretary CHARLES W.

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continues to be active in the program of the wanter but, although allegedly leftist in the past, there is no indication that she is influenced or motivated by the CP

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matters is generally considered conservative by the NAACP officials.



generally there is no indication either in the Minheapolis Branch activities or in the State Conference of the NAACP of any effort on the part of the CP or CP front groups to infiltrate, control or influence the activities, policies or program of the NAACP.

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#### MISSISSIPPI

#### At New Orleans, Louisiana

No information has been received that would indicate . any CP infiltration into the NAACP in the Southern District of Mississippi.

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#### At Memphis, Tennessee

No information has been received that would indicate any Communist infiltration of the NAACP in the Northern District of Mississippi.

#### MISSOURI

#### At Kansas City, Missouri

No information has been received that would indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP branches in the Kansas City Division.

#### At St. Louis, Missouri

No information has been received which discloses any CP infiltration of the NAACP branches in the St. Louis Division.

#### MONTANA

#### At Butte, Montana

No information has been received disclosing any attempts by the CP to infiltrate chapters of the NAACP in Montana.

#### NEBRASKA

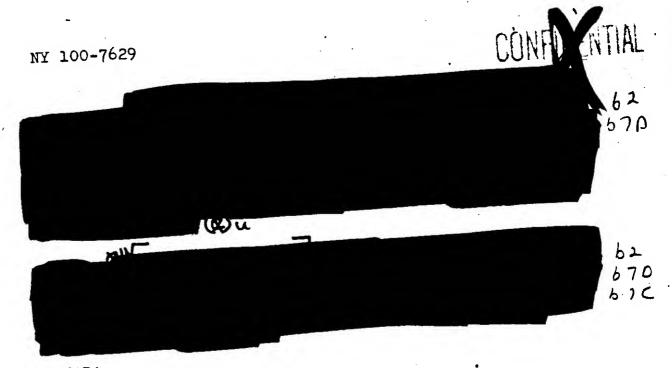
#### At Omaha, Nebraska\_\_

Officers

the following are the officers of the Omana Chapter or the NAACP:

> Reverend E. T. STREETER - President J. C. COLLINS - First Vice-president MRS. ROBBIE DAVIS - Second Vice-president MRS. MILTON LEWIS - Treasurer

MRS. GRACE CUDDER - Secretar



## NEVADA

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# At Salt Lake City, Utah

No evidence has been received indicating any CP infiltration of the NAACP in Nevada.

# NEW HAMPSHIRE

# At Boston, Massachusetts

No information has been received indicating any CP infiltration of the NAACP in New Hampshire.

## NEW JERSEY

# At Newark, New Jersey

#### Officers

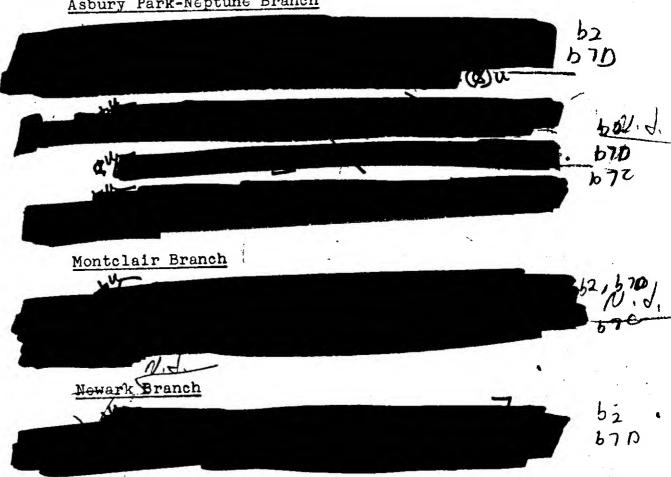
The "Newark Evening News," Newark daily newspaper, issue of June 7, 1954, carried an article relating

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to the New Jersey State Conference of the NAACP being held in Atlantic City, New Jersey. The article set forth the following new state officers elected on June 5, 1954:

DR. ULYSSES S. WIGGINS - President SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS - Vice-president MRS. DELIA E. MARTIN - Secretary CHARLES WILLIAMS - Treasurer
MRS. EDITH M. SHIVERS - Financial Secretary

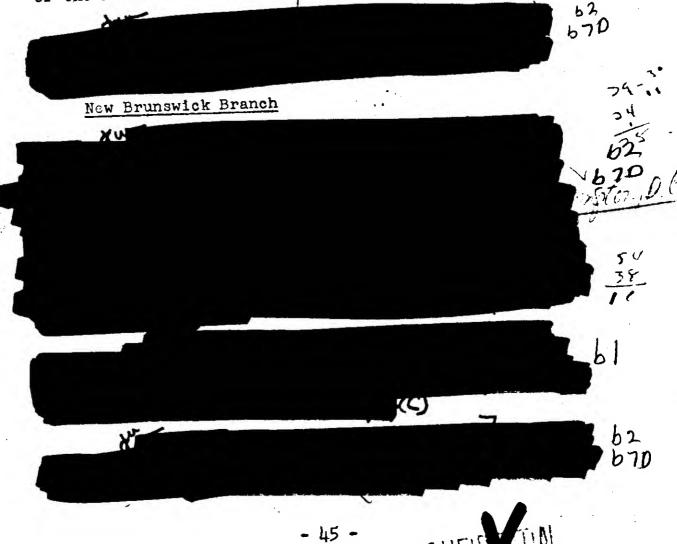
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In an article appearing in the "Newark Evening News" dated November 2, 1953, THEODORE RETTIGREW, President of the Newark Chapter, NAACP, was quoted as stating that WILLIAM ROSSMOORE, a lawyer, was a member of the Newark NAACP Chapter Legal Grievance Committee.



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Trenton Branch

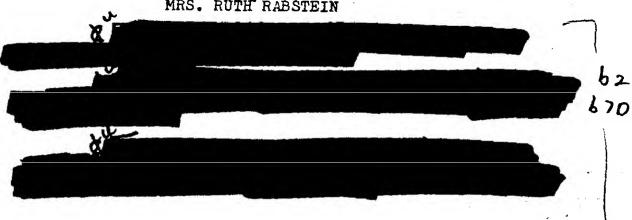
The Trenton, New Jersey newspaper, "Trentonian," issue of February 23, 1953, set forth the officers for 1954 as follows:

CHARLES WILLIAMS - President
MRS. GLORIA GIBSON - First Vice-president
JOHN COUCH - Second Vice-president
MISS DOROTHY HOLMES - Secretary
DEANE GOOD - Corresponding Secretary
CLIFTON LYNCH - Treasurer

Also listed was the Executive Board consisting

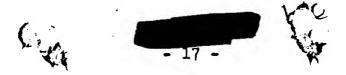
of:

S. ROY ALPHIN MRS. MOLLIE FORER MICHAEL POULOS MRS. RUTH RABSTEIN



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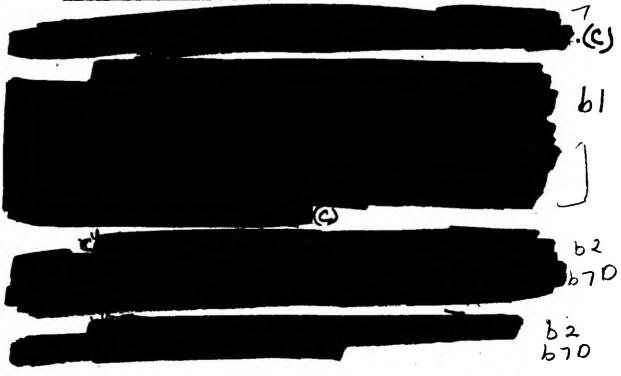




The records of the New Jersey Bureau of Vital b7 Statistics, Trenton, New Jersey, reflect that NAA.C.P.

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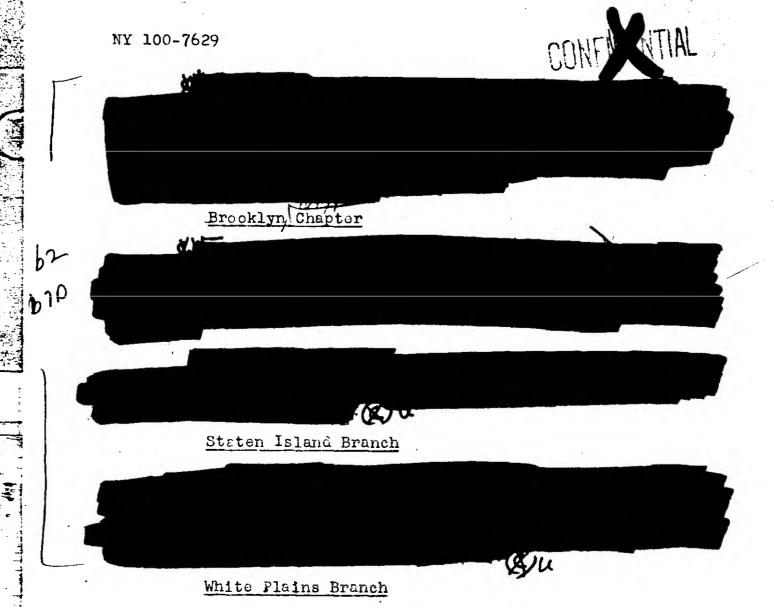




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The "Reporter-Dispatch", White Plains, New York, issue of October 18, 1954, carried an article entitled, "NAACP Head Assails GOP Nominees' Snub." The article relates that candidates for political office appeared before members of the NAACP at a meeting of the NAACP. According to the article, the business session of the meeting selected delegates to the

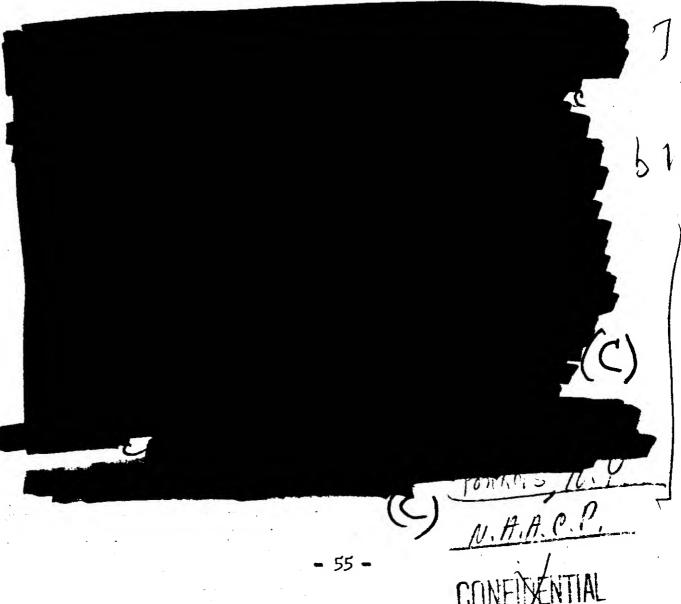
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State Conference of the NAACP to be held at Peckskill, N. Named as one of the delegates was October 23 to 25, 1954. Mrs. FLORENCE MACK.

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MINNIE CALDWELL President

THOMAS THUMMOND Honorary President

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DARCE, B.I

JOHNELL! CHARLES Vice President

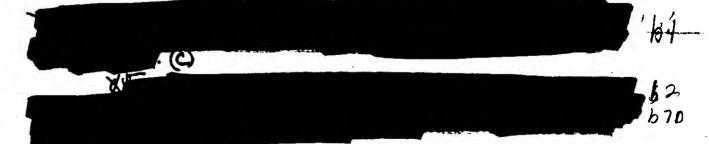
EUNICE GORDON Honorary Vice President

ELLA LEE Treasurer

HANNAH MEYRICH Socretary

LOUVENIA HARMIS Corresponding Secretary

MARTIN WASH. Chairman, Membership Committee



North Carolina

At Charlotte, North Caroline.

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#### North Dakota

#### At Minneapolis, Minnesota

No information has been received indicating any CP influence or infiltration into any branch of the NamaCP in North Dakota.

#### Ohio

#### At Cincinnati, Ohio

No information has been received indicating any attempts by the CP to infiltrate any branches of the NAACP in the Cincinnati Division.

#### Oklahoma

#### At Oklehome City, Oklahoma

No information received of any attempts of the CP to infiltrate any chapters of the NALCP in Oklahoma.

#### Oregon

#### At Portland, Oregon

No information has been received which would indicate that the CP is making any effort currently to infiltrate the N/ACP in Oregon.

#### Ponnsylvania

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#### Officers

The Philadelphia "Evening Bulletin", September 28,





1953, page 23, reflects that the following were elected as Ponnsylvania State Officers of the NAACE at the State Convention held in Ardmore, Pennsylvania, in September 1953:

BURRELL K. YOHNSON President

Dr. JAMES MILLESPIE First President

JOSHU/, THOMPSON Second Vice President

SAUL GRIFFIN
Third Vice President

Mrs. AGNES VALKER Recording Secretary

Mrs. CATHERINE RERAET Corresponding Secretary.

JOHN C. JONES Treasurer

Chester Branch

of Solicitation Activities, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, advised on 570 September 16, 1954, that the Chester Branch Officers of the NAACP were as follows:

GEORGE T. NAYMOND President

Mrs. SARA MC COY Secretary

Darby Branch

The President of the Darby Branch, as furnished by

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the Supervisor of Solicitation Activities is as follows:

Mrs. GEORGIANNA THOMPSON

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Dauphin County Branch

The Supervisor of Solicitation Activities furnished the President of the Dauphin County Branch, NAACP, to be as follows:

Dr. GEORGE A. JONES

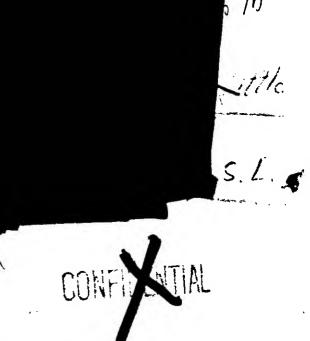
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La Motte Branch

The Supervisor of Solicitation Activities advised that the President and Secretary of the La Motte Branch, NAACP, are as follows:

DAVID T. MORGAN ANITA MORTON R.

Philadelphia Branch



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#### At Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

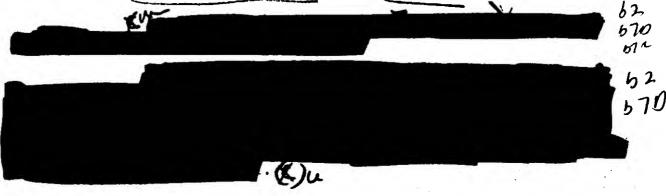
No information has been received indicating any successful CF infiltration of the NAACP branches in the Pittsburgh Division.

#### Rhode Island

#### At Boston, Massachusetts

#### Officers

The December 12, 1953, issue of the "Providence Evening Bulletin", a newspaper of Providence, Rhode Island, on page 4, reflects that FRED R. BYERS and DAVID KOLODOFF were named to the Executive Committee of the NACP.



#### South Carolina

#### At Savannah, Georgia

No information has been recoived that would indicate

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there is any infiltration or control of the NAACP in South Carolina by the CP.

#### South Dakota

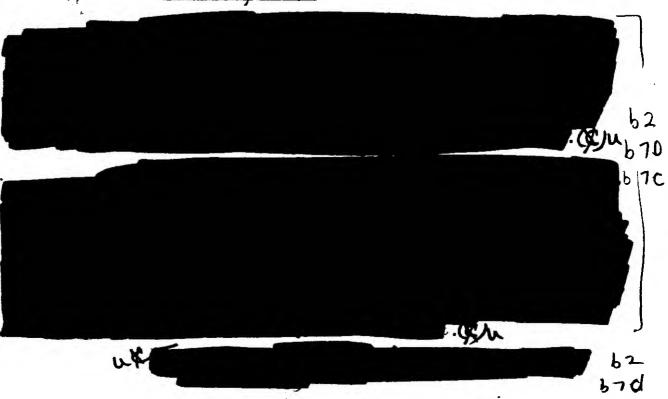
#### At Minneapolis, Minnesota

No information has been received to indicate there is any CP infiltration or control of the Sioux Falls NAACP Branch and other branches in South Dakota.

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At Memphis, Tennessee

Nashville Branch



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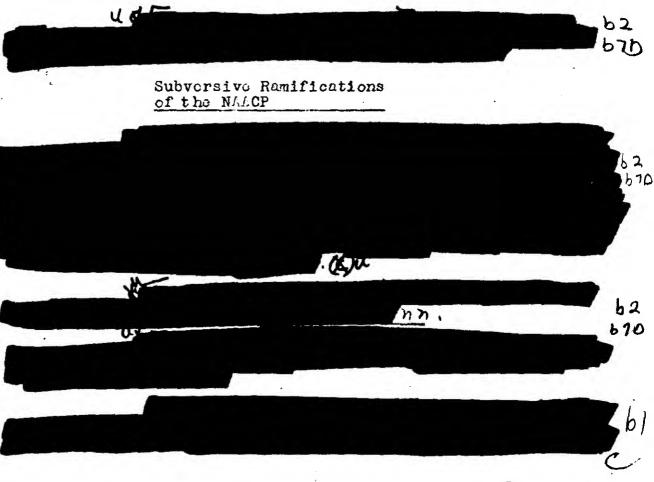
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#### Memphis Branch

#### Origin and Scope

The NAACP at Memphis includes the Memphis Branch for Adults and the Youth Branch, which is located at LeMoyne College in Memphis.



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#### At Knoxville

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No information received indicating any CP infiltration of the NAACP in the Knoxville Division.

#### Texas

#### At El Paso, Texas

No information has been received that would indicate any CF infiltration into the branches of the NAACP in the El Paso Division.

#### At Houston, Texas

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#### At San Antonio, Texas

No information has been received revealing any attempts

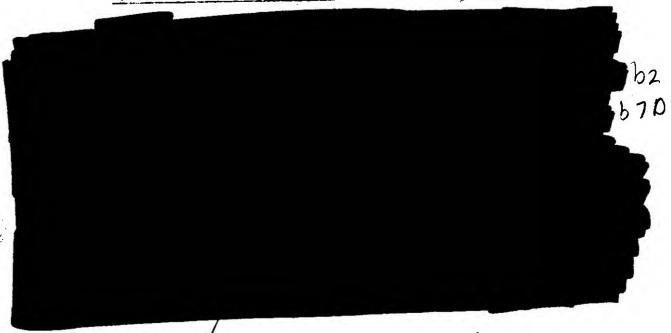
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by the CP to infiltrate the branches of the NAACP in the San Antonio Division.

#### Utah

### At Salt Lake City, Utah



#### Vermont

## At Albany, New York

No information has been received to indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP in Vermont.

#### Virginia

## At Richmond, Virginia

No information has been received to indicate any CP





infiltration of the NAACP branches in Richmond.

#### At Norfolk, Virginia

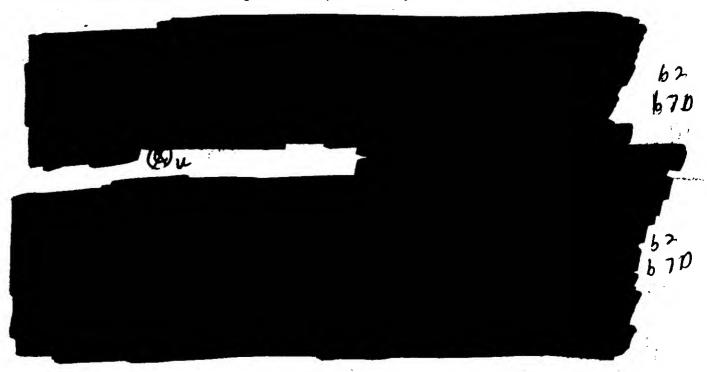
No information has been developed to indicate any activity or attempts of the CP to infiltrate the NAACP branches in Norfolk.

#### Washington

#### At Seattle, Washington

#### NAFCP Youth Council

According to the "Tacoma News Tribune", dated April 22, 1954, the NAACP Youth Council of the Tacoma Branch was chartered as of April 1954.







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#### At Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

No information has been received indicating any attempts by the Cr to infiltrate any branches of the NAACP in West Virginia.

#### Wisconsin

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#### At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

#### Officers

Wisconsin Conference of the NAACP is composed of the following officers, elected from the local branches:

Mrs. WILBUR HALYARD

Mrs. JOSEPHINE ANDERGAARD Mrs. GAYNELLE LIPSCOMB Mrs. SHIRLEY TAYLOR

President

Vice President

Secretary

Assistant Secretary

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Mr. WILBUR, HALYARD

Mr. ROBERT B. BROOKS

Mrs. LUCINDA J.

Mrs. SUSAN WEST

Mrs. VET, PHILLIPS
Mrs. HENRY S. REUSS

Mrs. GWENDOLYN, COLBERT

Dr. GEORGE MILLAND Mr. HUBERT TAYLOR

Mr. CLINTON ROSE

A.O.P. Pidanskin, the Treasurer Legislation Director of Publicity Youth Advisor Legal Redross Chairman Director of Education Freedom Fulfillment Chairman Health\_ Program Chairman Labor and Industry

the following individuals are the current duly elected officers of the various Wisconsin branches:

Boloit, Wisconsin

A BROSE GO, DON, President Mrs. LEONE TAYLOR, Secretary

Kenesha, Wisconsin

JESSE WILSON, President Mrs. LEROY SHEARD, Secretary

Madison, Wisconsin

HARRY NAMILTON, President Mrs. FRED STEVENSON, Secretary

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

W. DALE PHILLIPS, President EDDIE WALKER, Vice President SHIRELY TAYLOR, Recording Secretary LLEN, Corresponding...

Socretary WILBUR HALYAND, Treasurer

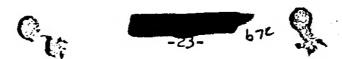
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Mrs. CORINNE/OWENS, President. Mrs. DOROTHY BRAY, Secretary

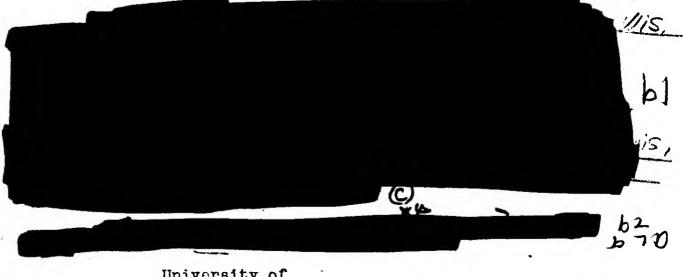
Connections with the CP

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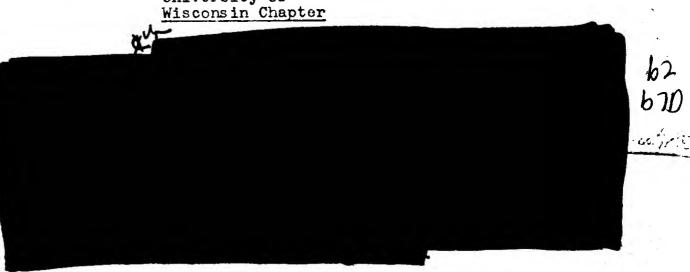




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Wyoming

At Denver, Colorado

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is any CP infiltration of the NAMCP branches in Wyoming.

District of Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands

At San Juan, Puerto Rico

No information has been reported of any active NACP branch in the District of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

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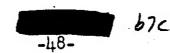
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#### At New York, New York

Will continue to follow CP infiltration of the NAACP on a national scale and report results by October 15 and April 15 of each calendar year.





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#### Council On African Affairs (CAA)

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#### "Daily People's World"

California Committee on Un-American Activities in its 1948 report described it as the "West Coast mouthpiece of the CP."

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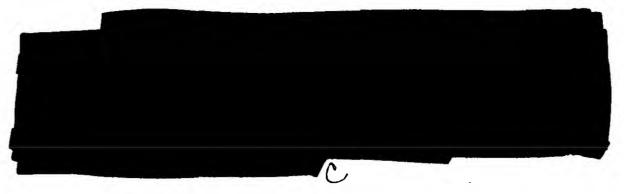
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#### "The Worker"

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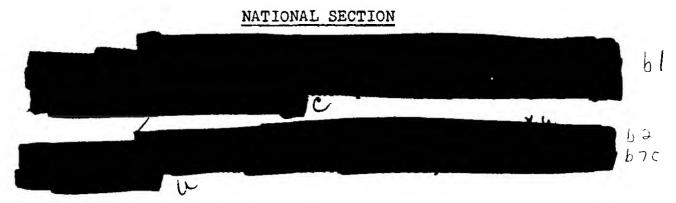
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DETAILS: For the purpose of brevity the National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People will henceforth in this report be referred to as the NAACP.

All informants utilized in this report have furnished reliable information in the past unless otherwise noted.



It is to be noted that MARTHA STONE was arrested in New York City on November 1, 1954, for violation of the Smith Act and is presently awaiting trial at New Haven, Connecticut.  $\upmathbb{N}$ 

Salient parts of the above referenced report are set forth as follows:

"The convention was undoubtedly one of the most significant in the history of NAACP. This was due to the impact of the May 17 Supreme Court decision upon the Association and upon all sections of Negro life and large sections of the white community, especially in the South. The anti-segregation decisions became the point of departure for every major speaker and for the discussion of the delegates. Thus, an atmosphere of militant optimism pervaded the convention as never before. Further, the difficult problems involved in implementation of the decisions, and the challenge to work out specific programs for carrying the fight against segregation into other fields contributed to a note of seriousness in the deliberations and opened up in the thinking of the delegates many questions which the NAACP has not had to address itself to in the past.

"I also have the impression (though a detailed credential report was not available at convention's end) that the composition of the delegates was an improvement over past conventions. There were 617 voting delegates, 65 alternates and 95 fraternal delegates and observers, making a total of 777. So that numerically the convention was larger than most in the past, which have usually ranged between 400-500.

"Also, a large part, probably a majority, of the fraternal delegates were trade unionists. There was a good-sized representation from auto, 16 packinghouse workers came from Chicago, and there were others. In addition, of course, there were some trade unionists, although I don't know how many, who came directly from branches as voting delegates.

"In addition, there was an important number of delegates from some of the small-community branches especially in the South who were attending their first convention and are not yet committed to the policies of the leadership. This does not mean that all the old NAACP warhorses were not there - they were. But there were many indications that they met a sterner challenge to their leadership than any time since 1950. But more of that later.

"Another major positive feature of the convention was the strong current of anti-McCarthyism. This sentiment was more pronounced than last year and resulted in what in my opinion is the strongest anti-McCarthy resolution adopted by any Negro people's organization to date. And, as we shall see, this resolution was passed in face of the most determined effort on the part of reactionary forces in the convention to defeat it. ...

"Furthermore, there was the usual healthy antibureaucracy sentiment of the rank and file delegates which found many opportunities to express itself in opposition to the railroading of measures, the handling of the chair, the curtailing of discussion, etc. ~

"Now, with regard to the major negative factor the rash of red-baiting on the part g in the convention: the leadership was unprecedented and more vicious than previously. Not one single major speaker at the mass meetings did not redbait. (No, that's a mistake - the single exception was Dr. Theodore Dawless, the American-Firster from Chicago who did not redbait in his speech accepting the Spingarn Award.) Channing Tobias began with a keynote speech which, for political depth, was on a level lower than juvenile. He began by ranking the Supreme Court decision with 'The Declaration of Independence, the Federal Constitution with its amendments, and the Emancipa- . Then he invoked the spirit of Booker T. and the 'Atlanta Compromise' by quoting as follows from his own speech to the NAACP May 22 Atlanta meeting: 'Let it not be said of us that we took advantage of a sweeping victory to drive hard bargains or to impose unnecessary hardships upon those responsible for working out the details of compliance.'

"Then he got down to his real business of the evening. He said: 'As has never been true before in the history of our Organization, we must see the fight for rights of Negro Americans as part of a world struggle for freedom.' There was spontaneous applause at this point, and there is no doubt that the audience had in mind a conscious alliance of the struggle for Negro liberation with the struggles of colonial peoples in Asia and Africa for independence. However, almost before the applause died down Tobias went into a point by point support of U.S. foreign policy and the reaction of the audience was one of silence and bewilderment. He said:

" 'During the past year the situation has worsened considerably. The menacing cloud of communism continues to darken the international sky. The issues involving Korea are still unresolved. The struggle in Indo-China grows more desperate with every passing day. The Geneva Conference has been declared a failure. The government of the Union of South Africa continues its apartheld campaign. The communist

infiltration of Guatemala is about to precipitate a civil war that may have serious consequences for the western hemisphere. In such a world as this we rightly insist that America cannot afford the expensive luxury of racial discrimination. At the same time we must make it emphatically clear that Negro Americans are undivided in their allegiance to the United States of America as it engages in mortal combat with the enemies of the free world.

"This was followed immediately by a discussion of 'The Communist Menance within our Borders.' Tobias said:

"'Let no one deny or take lightly the existence of a communist conspiracy in the United States. Enough has been brought to light in recent years to show that there is a persistent though small group of men and women in this country, who are attempting to blast at the "rock of ages" of our national structure. They do not hesitate to lie, or steal, or even kill, if by so doing they can accomplish the ends dictated by their foreign masters.

"It is no secret that communists have tried to infiltrate our ranks and get control of some of our branches. It is also true that they have been decisively defeated in their efforts. (Some applause). For this is one protest organization that makes its fight for equal rights on the basis of American principles and ideals, and within the American system. Nevertheless we must be ever vigilant to detect and expose by orderly methods those who parade as sheep but inwardly are ravening wolves, whose only purpose is to destroy."

"One might think that the progressive potent at of the convention would be completely nullified, especially if one considers these leaders as representatives of a class that has completely 'gone over' to the side of imperialism.

"But this did not happen for two very good and important reasons.

"First, it is important to note that the party forces and the progressive caucus forces at this convention, while still woefully small, were larger and better organized than in St. Louis. With regard to our own people there were seven delegates

Not until next to the last day did we discover that one of our people from Before the convention I was informed we would have one or two people but the names were never gotten to me and we could not discover them in Dallas.

"In addition, there were a few progressive forces who played a major role in the convention, such as

"1 - This leadership looks upon a more vigorous anti-communist line as a necessary tactic to gain more concessions from the bourgeoisie and to 'placate' the mortal enemies of Negro liberation. They are encouraged in this line by the Supreme Court decision and by the fact that the forces they choose to vilify - the left - was conspicuous by its lack of participation in the fight to realize the decision.

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"Nevertheless, this petty-bourgeois leadershi of the NAACP does not have the material stake in anticommunism which the imperialist bourgeoisie has.

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"2- The leadership can be defeated in one aspect or another - and eventually all aspects - of their anticommunist position, if they are effectively challenged. The experience of the progressive forces in the resolutions committee and in the floor debate on resolutions proves this conclusively - and in this respect the convention represented an important advance over last year.

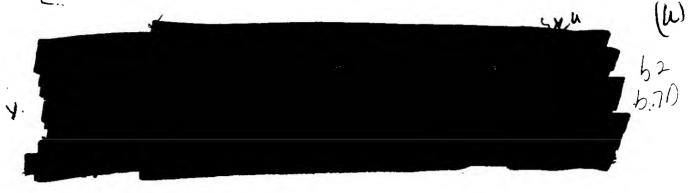
"Following is a play-by-play description of the debate and vote on important resolutions.

"1. The first resolution was the Preamble, at the end of which there was tacked on, like an appendix, the reiteration of the stand against 'communist infiltration' adopted originally in 1950. It was the decision of the progressive caucus not to oppose this resolution, but to save our attack for the Labor Relations resolution with its attack on the independent progressive unions and the NNLC. Therefore this resolution passed without objection and therefore no vote was taken.

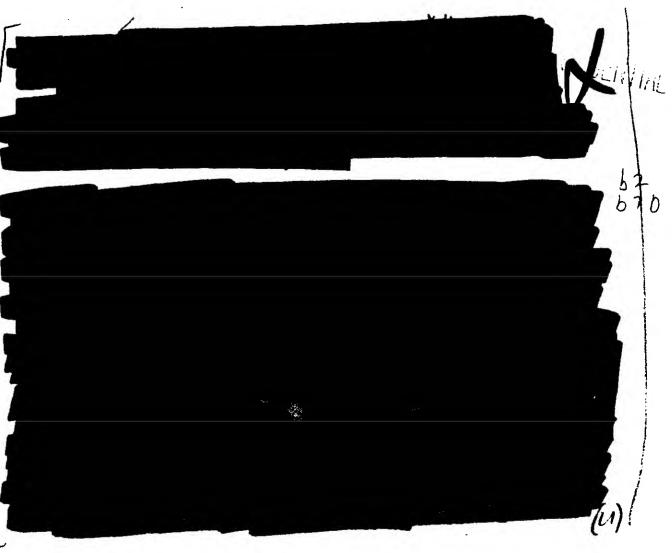
"2. The next resolution was the Labor and T dustry resolution, It contains a prohibition against NAACP conversion with 'Communist dominated' unions and with the NNLC. According to the rules, these who wanted to speak on a resolution had to voice objection and call out their name and branch as soon as the reading is completed."

It is to be noted that after a debate, "the vote was then taken. Failure of the progressives to provide a second for the Ellis motion to strike the 2 paragraphs and insist on a vote on that motion, resulted in the vote being taken on the resolution as read. No count was taken. About half voted for the resolution. A small handful (approximately 20) against. About half the delegates did not vote.

"With regard to other sections of the resolution it should be noted that a number of provisions which were introduced in resolutions by the progressive caucus were incorporated and adopted. They are as follows: (a) Calling upon Congress to defeat all filibustering measures and pass FEPC; (b) Urging President's Contract Compliance Committee to hold public hearings in major industrial areas to facilitate processing of complaints; (c) calling attention to special exploitation of Negro women and calling upon the Program Committee for the 1955 convention to set up a workshop dealing with special problems of Negro working women."







1955 NAACP Convention

Following 570

individuals were elected delegates and alternate delegates on May 27, 1955, from the Chicago area to the NAACP National Convention, June 21 through June 26, 1955, at Atlantic City, New Jersey:

#### Delegates

#### Alternate Delegates

M. T. BLANTON
ANITA COOK
WILLIAM HENRY HUFF
ROBERT BIRCHMAN
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BENSON JENNINGS

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Additional information concerning CP policy in the NAACP Convention at Atlantic City is set forth under New York Section of instant report.

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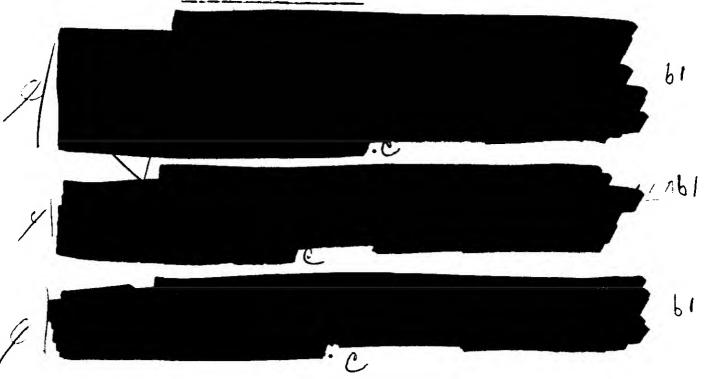
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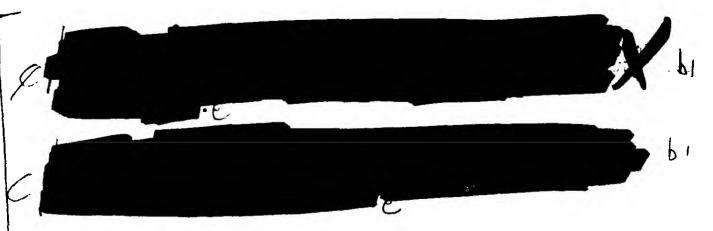
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#### At Birmingham, Alabama

No additional information has been received indicating Communist infiltration of the NAACP at the present time in the Birmingham Division.

#### At Mobile, Alabama





#### ALASKA

#### At Anchorage, Alaska

No indication of CP infiltration of the NAACP chapters located at Anchorage and Fairbanks, Alaska has been reported.

#### ARIZONA

#### At Phoenix, Arizona

No additional information has been received that would indicate that the CP has accomplished any infiltration of the NAACP in Arizona.

#### ARKANSAS

#### At Little Rock, Arkansas

No information has been reported which would indicate that attempts are being made by the CP to infiltrate branches of the NAACP in Arizona.



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#### At Los Angeles, California

#### Los Angeles Branch

The "California Eagle", a local Negro newspaper, in its issue of January 20, 1955, reported that the following were the officers of the Los Angeles Branch of the NAACP, in 1955:

> President: THOMAS G. NEUSOM Vice-Presidents: FLEMING ENNIX

REV. P.D. LEHMAN

C.E. MCKINNEY L.B HOMPSON ZELLA M TAYLOR

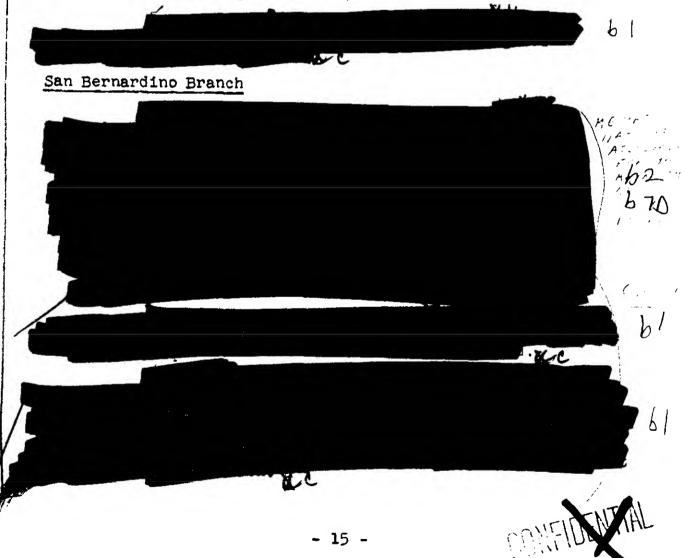
Secretary: Treasurer:

LORENZO BOWDOIN

The United States House Committee on Un-American Activities report entitled "Communist Activities Among Professional Groups In The Los Angeles Area - - Part 3" dated December 28, 1952, reflects that THOMAS G. NEUSOM was one of the attorneys who represented some of the attorneys who were subpoensed to appear before the HCUA in Los Angeles, in September, 1952. All of the attorneys represented by NEUSOM refused to answer questions propounded to them by the HCUA.

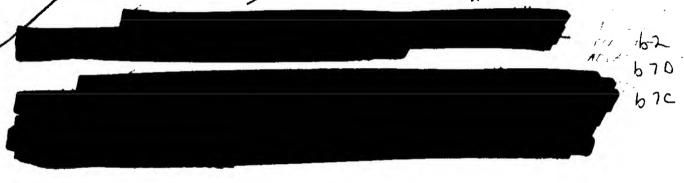
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This report reflects that NEUSOM was one of the attorneys representing 12 physicians and one dentist who refused to answer questions before the HCUA at hearings in Los Angeles in October, 1952. All of these physicians and the dentist had been identified by the HCUA as having been members of the Medical Branch of a professional cell of the CP in the Los Angeles area.

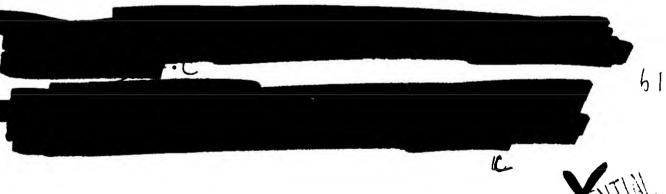


Fresno Branch

The "Fresno Bee", a Fresno, California local newspaper, in its issue of February 24, 1955, listed the officers of the Fresno Branch of the NAACP for 1955 and set forth was HUGH WESLEY GOODWIN as President.



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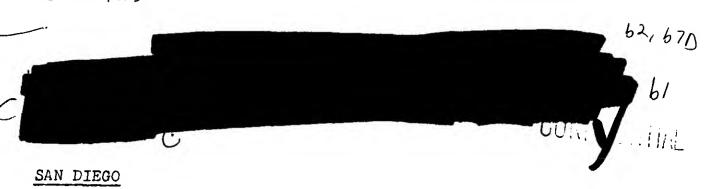




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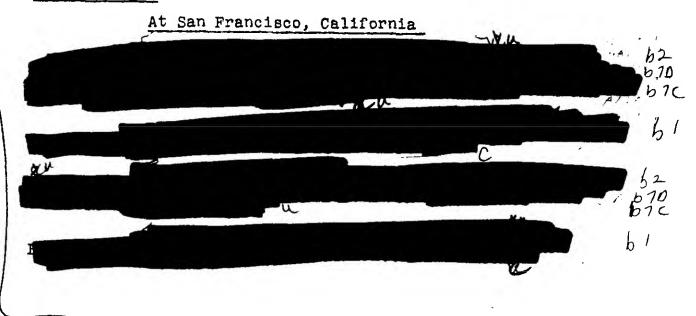




### At San Diego, California

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At Denver, Colorado

No additional information has been received to indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP in Colorado.

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At New Haven, Connecticut

General CP Instructions Regarding The NAACP.

It is to be noted that JACOB GOLDRING was one of the seven individuals indicted by Federal Grand Jury in the State of Connecticut in June of 1954 for conspiring to violate provisions of the Smith Act of 1940.

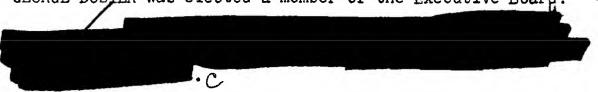
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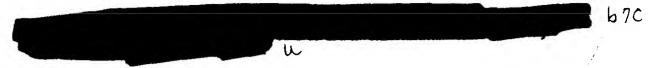
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The "New Britain Herald" issue of November 5, 1954, reflects that MORRIS FALK was elected Treasurer and GEORGE DOZIER was elected a member of the Executive Board.



The records of the Secretary of State, Hartford, Connecticut, reflect the name of one GEORGE DOZIER, 49 Davenport Street, New Britain, Connecticut, appeared on a CP Nominating Petition in 1946.





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#### DELAWARE

#### At Baltimore, Maryland

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#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

#### At Washington, D.C.

No additional information has been received disclosing any actual or attempted Communist infiltration of the NAACP in the District of Columbia.

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#### FLORIDA

## At Miami, Florida

No information has been reported regarding Communist infiltration of the NAACP branches in Florida.

#### GEORGIA

#### At Atlanta, Georgia

No information has been received reflecting any Communist infiltration into the branches of the NAACP in the Atlanta Division.

## At Savannah, Georgia

No information has been received to indicate any Communist infiltration of the NAACP in the State of Georgia covered by the Savannah Division.

#### HAWAII

#### At Honolulu, Hawaii

It has been previously reported that the NAACP is nonexistent in Hawaii.

#### IDAHO

#### At Butte, Montana

No information has been reported indicating any attempts by the CP to infiltrate chapters of the NAACP at Idaho.

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### At Chicago, Illinois

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following persons constitute the elected leadership of the Chicago NAACP branch for 1955:

## Executive Officers

President: \*CORA M. PATTON

First Vice-President and Chairman of the Board:

\*WILLOUGHBY ABNER

Second Vice-President: Third Vice-President:

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Treasurer: Secretary:

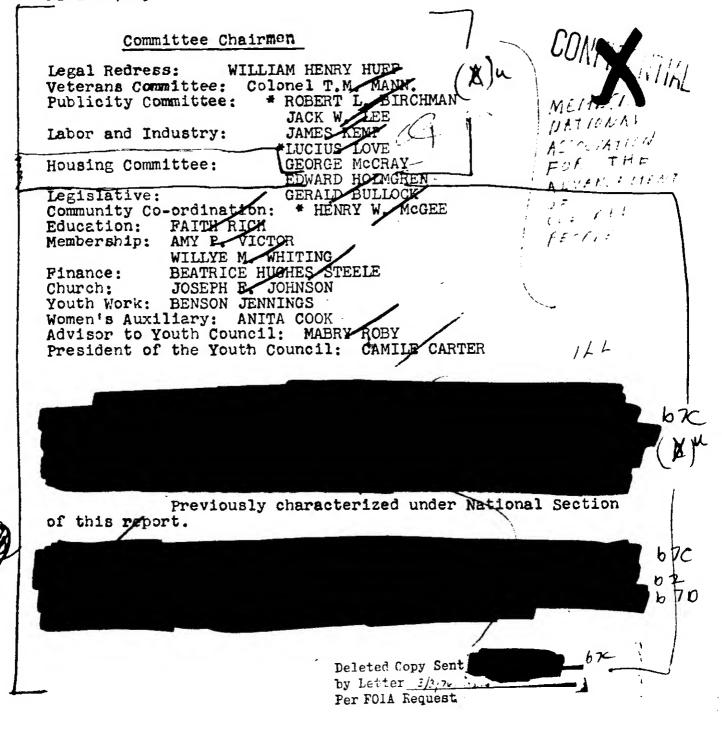
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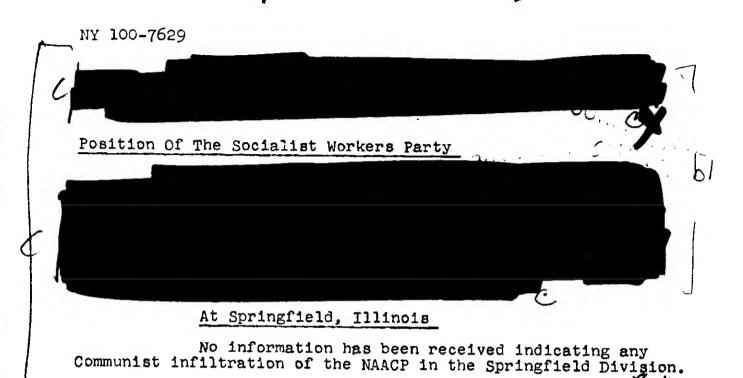
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At Indianapolis, Indiana

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East Chicago, Indiana Branch

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advised of the names

of the officers for the NAACP Chapters in East Chicago,

could not furnish any information
indicating any communist infiltration of this chapter;
however, he stated that among the officers of the East Chicago
Chapter was the name of

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### Gary, Indiana Branch

The "Gary Post Tribune" issue of December 24, 1954, contained the officers of the Gary Branch of the NAACP who had been recently elected. Listed as Vice President was the name of WALTER MACKERAL.

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Indianapolis Branch

the indianapolis chapter of the NAACP had elected its officers for the year. Among the officers elected was Mrs. EDNA JOHNSON for a minor secretarial position, and WILLARD RANSOM to the Executive Board. Lu

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IOWA

## At Omaha, Nebraska

No information has been reported to indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP branches in the State of IOWA. X U

KANSAS

## At Kansas City, Missouri

No information has been received reflecting any attempts on the part of the CP to infiltrate the NAACP in Kansas.

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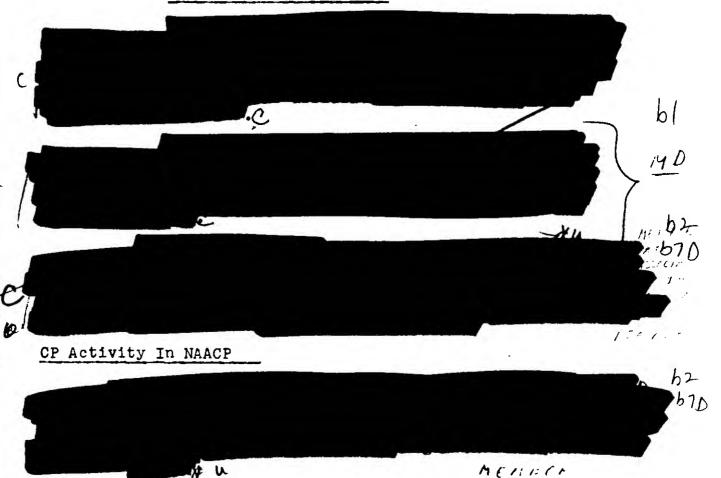
### At Boston, Massachusetts

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No information has been received indicating CP infiltration of the NAACP in Maine.

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At Baltimore, Maryland



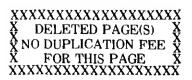
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subscriptions to the "Daily Worker", and making contacts for the CP in Duluth, Minnesota.

whose radical sympathies and associates in the past were known by many NAACP officials, and who in the past had been very active and influential in the Duluth Branch NAACP, was no longer particularly active or influential in NAACP activities.





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#### MISSISSIPPI

## At New Orleans, Louisiana

No information has been reported to indicate CP infiltration of the NAACP in the southern district of Mississippi.

#### At Memphis, Tennessee

No information has been received that would indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP in areas of Mississippi covered by the Memphis Division.

## MISSOURI

## At Kansas City, Missouri

No information has been received that would indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP branches in the Karsas City Division.

## At St. Louis, Missouri

No information has been received that would indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP branches in the St. Louis Division.

#### ANATHOM

#### At Butte, Montana

No evidence of attempts by the CP to infiltrate the NAACP in Montana has been reported.





#### NEBRASKA

## At Omaha, Nebraska

No evidence of sttempts by the CP to infiltrate the NAACP in Nebraska has been reported.

## NEVADA

## At Salt Lake City, Utah

No information has been received to indicate any CP infiltration of the MAACP Chapters in Nevada.

### NEW HAMPSHIRE

## At Boston, Massachusetts

No information has been received indicating any CP infiltration of the NAACP in New Hampshire.

## NEW JERSEY

# At Newark, New Jersey

# N/ACP, State of New Jersey

An article which appeared in the "Patterson Morning Call dated February 5, 1955, entitled, "NAACP mears J. M Burrell", reflected that Attorney J. MERCER BURRELL, former State Assemblyman from Essex County, was Chairman of the New Jersey Conference of NAACP Branches.





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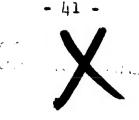
An article appeared in the December 22, 1954 issue of the "Vin-land Times Journal", a Vineland, New Jersey newspaper, entitled, "New NAACP Unit Elects Officer Slate." The article reflected that the Buena-Hammonton-Weymouth Township Chapter of the NAACP held its first election of officers at Richland on December 16, 1954. The article reflected that the officers elected were as follows:

Mrs. TOMASINA BAY, President THEODORE QUINCAN, Vice President Mrs. ROBBIE WILLIAMS, Secretary KING ALLEN, Treasurer

Camden, New Jersey Chapter







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# Jersey City, New Jersey Chapter

New Brunswick, New Jersey Chapter

The December 16, 1954 issue of the "Daily Home News", a New Brunswick, New Jersey newspaper, contained an article entitled, "NAACP Elects Gumbs as President." erticle reflected the following persons were elected as officers of the New Brunswick Chapter of the NAACP:

N/THAN O. GUMBS, Jr., President JOHN E JACKSON, First Vice President Mrs. MIRIAM GOLDBERG, Second Vice President Mrs. RUTH J/Choln, Secretary

Mrs. CH/RLES DUNN, Assistant Secretary Mrs. ETHEL WELCH, Treasurer

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MY 100-7629 670 An article appeared in the August 23, 1948 edition of the "Daily Worker" entitled, "As We See It," which described EDWARDWARDY as follows: "Hardy is a 24 veer old seaman from Houston, Texas. Houston is his home town. He is a Communist, having joined the Party aboard. ship in 1945.' Trenton, New Jersey Chapter b2 671 Trenton Chapter was making arrangements for its annual election and certain members of the local were making it a point to remove from the Executive Board end the Nominating Committee persons suspected of being Communists or Communist sympethizers. The informant stated that the Chanter was desirous of removing 570 An 67C 62 1.670 b 1

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NEW MEXICO

## At Albuquerque, New Mcxico

No information has been received to indicate that the CP has infiltreted or dominated the NAACP on the local or national level in New Mexico.  $\mu$ 

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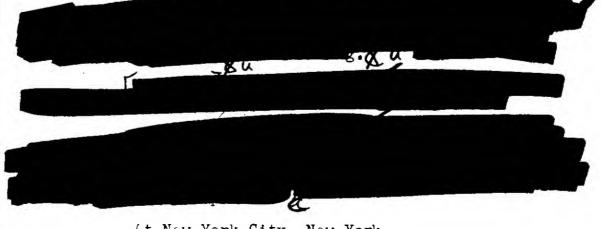




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At New York City, New York

New York Branch, NAACP

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the present officers and members of the Executive Committee 570 for the New York Branch, MACP, as follows:

RUSSELL . CRAWFORD, President
ODELL CLIRK, Vice President
WINIFRED NORMAN, Secretary
HORTENSE BOWLY, Assistant Secretary
ALONCITA J. FLOOD, Treasurer

Members of the Executive Committee:

JAMES FALLEN
CLARA BUTLER
ROGER W FLOOD
JOHN H HERWITT
Reverend T KILGORE
EDWARD B MUSE
LOUIS A CHEATON
ELLA J BAKER
ROSCOE C BUTLER
PATRICIA GARLAND

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JACQUES ISLER

J/MES MC COY

J. HOW/RD FAYNE

GEORGE TEWLER

WILLIAM H. BROWN

ROY CAMPLIPLIA

THOMAS C. HILL

EDWARD W. LCKO, JR.

MARTHA R. MC PHERSON

Reverend A. C. POWELL, JR.

JOHN SULLIAMN

CHARLES EUCHANN

ROBERT W. JUSTICE

JAMES W. TSON

P/ ULW WHILEY

Reverend L. S. WHITE

PEGGY E. DICKSON

Reverend B. C. ROBESON

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The eleven CP leaders were convicted of the October 14, 1949 in New York City for violation of the

Smith Act. Xu

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The July 14, 1949 issue of the "New York Journal American," article entitled, "Robeson Named as Red Party Member," stated in substance that MAN NING JOHNSON, an admitted former member of the CP National Committee, had, on July 14, 1949, told the House Committee on Un-American Activities that PAUL ROBLSON had been a "member of the CP for many years." ROBESON'S membership was kept secret even from rank and file Communists.

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The New York State Conference of the NA/CP scheduled for Saratoga Springs, New York, during May 20.

The New York State Conference of the NA/CP scheduled for Saratoga Springs, New York, during May 20, 21 and 22, 1955, and the National Convention of the NA/CF scheduled for June 22 to 26, 1955, at Atlantic City, were publicized.





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Brooklyn Brench

Amityville, Long Island Branch

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The records of the County Clerk's Office, San
Francisco County, San Francisco, California, reflect that in
an affidavit of registration dated September 9, 1942,
registered to vote as a Communist.

On May 5. 1953, refused to be interviewed by agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, steting to the agents, "I have nothing to say to you."

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certain members of the Jamaica Branch, NABUP, who are extremely suspicious persons because of their concerted efforts towards securing control of all the committees in the Jamaica Branch.

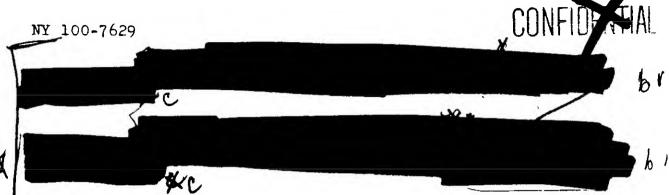
the way the group speaks, the terminology they use, and the methods they employ, leaves no doubt that these persons are either members of the CP or sympathetic to the CP cause.

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The "Drily Worker" of September 24, 1948, page 1 and 11, columns 1 and 2, contrined an article entitled, "Sixteen Thousand Demand-Get Thompson Assailants." The article referred to the stabbing of BOB THOMPSON, Chairman of the New York State CP and presently incorcerated for violation of the Smith Act. Among those who demanded action be taken to apprehend the "would-be assassins", was GUY BREWER, former Democratic Harlam leader.

The "Daily Worker" issue of October 25, 1949, page 3, columns 4 and 5, contained an article, "Notables Ask Mc Grath OK Bail for Eleven." The article stated that the New York State Civil Rights Congress had announced that a number of prominent people had wired Attorney General MC GRATH to intervene to see that reasonable bail was set for the eleven CP leaders. Among those listed as signing the wire was "GUY BREWER, Legal Redress Committee, NAACP."



## NORTH CAROLINA

## At Charlotte, North Ceroline

No information has been received to indicate that the CF has infiltrated or dominated the NAACF branches in North Caroline.

#### NORTH DAKOTA

## At Minneapolis, Minnesota

No information has been received indicating any Communist infiltration, of the NAACP in North Dakota.

## OHIO

# At Cincinnati, Ohio

No information has been received indicating CF influence or infiltration of the NAACF in the Cincinnati Division.

At Cleveland, Ohio







